ARIZONA CODE OF JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION

Part 1: Judicial Branch Administration Chapter 1: Leadership

Section 1-110: Committee on the Impact of Domestic Violence and the Courts

A. General Purpose. The Committee on the Impact of Domestic Violence and the Courts (CIDVC) is established as a standing committee of the Arizona Judicial Council. CIDVC shall assist with the development and implementation of policies that acknowledge the severity of the problem of domestic violence in Arizona, increase awareness of victim resources, provide sanctions for criminal conduct, enhance the follow-through by law enforcement to enforce orders of protection, assess state and local proceedings and services and make recommendations for system changes that will promote enhanced safety for victims and the professionals who interact with them and encourage offender accountability.

B. Membership. CIDVC shall include the following members:

- 1. Five representatives from the superior court, to include one judge or commissioner, one judge who is assigned exclusively to a family court calendar, one family court administrator, one court administrator, and one clerk.
- 2. Six representatives from the limited jurisdiction courts, to include at least two judges from metropolitan areas and two judges from non-metropolitan areas.
- 3. Four representatives from the law enforcement community, to include at least one representative from the sheriff's office.
- 4. Four representatives from the attorney community.
- 5. One representative from an Arizona domestic violence coalition.
- 6. Five representatives from domestic violence resource services providers, to include one representative from the Governor's Office who works on domestic violence issues, one medical community representative and one representative from a shelter facility.
- 7. Two representatives from the general public.
- 8. Other members appointed at the discretion of the chief justice.
- **C. Terms of Members.** The chief justice shall appoint members of CIDVC for terms of varying lengths to encourage continuity of CIDVC and may reappoint members for successive terms.
- **D. Responsibilities of Members.** CIDVC members shall attend and actively participate in CIDVC meetings, assist with the administration of CIDVC affairs and serve on advisory subcommittees as necessary. A member may designate a proxy, subject to the requirements of ACJA § 1-104 and the following requirements:

- 1. If a CIDVC member cannot attend a meeting and would like to designate a proxy, the member must obtain prior approval of the chairperson. If approved by the chairperson, that proxy must comply with other guidelines regarding proxy rights; and
- 2. The use of more than three proxies per term by a CIDVC member is limited to extraordinary circumstances, as determined by the chairperson.
- **E. Organization.** The chief justice shall appoint the chairperson of CIDVC and other leadership as needed to organize committee affairs. The chairperson may appoint advisory subcommittees to help CIDVC carry out its responsibilities.
- **F. Meetings.** CIDVC shall meet no less than twice a year. The chairperson may call additional meetings. All meetings shall be noticed and open to the public.
 - 1. Quorum. A simple majority (50% + 1) of the current CIDVC membership shall constitute a quorum.
 - 2. Virtual Attendance (conference call, video conference, web conference, etc.). The CIDVC chairperson may designate a meeting as a virtual attendance meeting. Otherwise CIDVC members may attend a meeting from a remote location with prior approval of the chair. In the instance where the CIDVC chairperson designates a meeting as a virtual attendance meeting, a meeting room and a connection must be available for members of the public who wish to attend.
- **G.** Actions. Approval of a majority of those voting shall constitute an action of CIDVC.
- **H. Funding.** CIDVC, with the assistance of the administrative office, may seek grant funding from local, state, and national organizations for the operation expenses, including expert advice and consultations. To the extent that funds are available, CIDVC may also use supreme court funds to partially or fully fund CIDVC expenses.
- **I. Staff.** Under the direction of the chief justice, the administrative office shall provide staff to assist and support CIDVC and may conduct or coordinate management projects and research studies as recommended by CIDVC.

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